

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 13-24 (canceled).

Claim 25. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;

a water-cooled ram having an axial bore;

~~means for selectively moving~~ the water-cooled ram is configured to selectively move into and out of the mold;

a displacement ~~arm~~ ram movably mounted within the axial bore of the water-cooled ram; and

~~means for selectively moving~~ the displacement ~~arm~~ ram is configured to selectively move within the axial bore of the water-cooled ram and into and out of the mold.

Claim 26. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;

a water-cooled ram having an axial bore;

~~means for selectively moving~~ the water-cooled ram is configured to selectively move into and out of the mold;

a tube located within the axial bore and communicating with the mold;

a source of gas connected to the tube; and

~~means for supplying the~~ gas from the source communicates

through the tube and into the mold.

Claim 27. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;

a water-cooled ram comprising ~~a porous~~ an internal space and a flexible sheath surrounding the ~~porous~~ internal space;

~~means for selectively moving~~ the water-cooled ram is configured to selectively move into and out of the mold;

a source of cooling water under pressure; and

~~means for feeding the~~ cooling water under pressure to communicates with the ~~porous~~ internal space of the water-cooled ram to expand the flexible sheath within the mold.

Claim 28. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;

a water-cooled ram comprising ~~a porous~~ an internal space and a shell of rigid material surrounding the ~~porous~~ internal space, the shell is provided with a passage which communicates the ~~porous~~ internal space with the mold when the water-cooled ram is located in the mold, said passage is covered by a diaphragm;

~~means for selectively moving~~ the water-cooled ram is configured to selectively move into and out of the mold;

a source of cooling water under pressure; and

~~means for feeding the~~ cooling water under pressure to communicates with the ~~porous~~ internal space of the water-cooled ram for expanding the diaphragm into the mold.